STAFF REPORT

TO: Chairman and Members, Engineering Services Committee

FROM: Peter Thomson, Engineering Manager

REFERENCE: E362

DATE: 16 November 2007

SUBJECT: ENGINEERING STANDARDS REVIEW

1 PURPOSE

This paper seeks to gain Council's approval, in principle, to align the Tasman District Council Engineering Standards and Policies with the Nelson City Council Engineering Standards when they are next reviewed.

2 COMMENT

The draft Engineering Standards and Policies 2007 were presented to the Engineering Services Committee on 2 August 2007. At that meeting it was resolved

THAT:

- a) the draft Engineering Standards and Policies 2007 be circulated for public consultation; and
- b) a working group consisting of the Engineering Manager, the Development Engineer, and Chairpersons (or their delegates) of the Engineering Services Committee and Environment and Planning Committee be given delegated authority to review and consider public submissions and subsequently adopt the Engineering Standards and Policies 2007.

The public consultation process was completed on 22 October 2007 and 28 submissions received. A common thread in several submissions was a recommendation that Tasman District Council align its Engineering Standards and Policies with the Nelson City Council's Engineering Standards.

The process for the adoption of the 2007 Engineering Standards and Policies is nearing completion and they should be released to the public in early 2008.

3 RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council agrees, in principle, to aligning the Engineering Standards and Policies with the Nelson City Council Engineering Standards when they are next reviewed.

Peter Thomson **Engineering Manager**